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## **SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY**

### **THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**

January 24, 2021

*\* Those who are able, please stand.*  
**Congregation responds in bold.**

### ***WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME***

**WELCOME**

Ruth Chadwick Moore

**PRELUDE**

Lord of the Dance

Shaker melody  
arr. Mark Hayes  
(born 1959)  
Krista Wright, Soprano

I danced in the morning when the world was begun,  
and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,  
and I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth;  
at Bethlehem I had my birth.

Refrain: Dance, then, wherever you may be;  
I am the Lord of the dance, said he,  
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,  
And I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.

I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee,  
but they would not dance and they would not follow me;  
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John;  
they came with me and the dance went on. Refrain

I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame;  
the holy people said it was a shame.  
They whipped and they stripped and they hung me high,  
And left me there on a cross to die. Refrain

I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black;  
it's hard to dance with the devil on your back.  
They buried my body and they thought I'd gone:  
But I am the dance and I still go on. Refrain

They cut me down and I leapt up high;  
I am the life that will never, never die;  
I'll live in you if you'll live in me:  
I am the Lord of the dance, said he. Refrain

## \* CALL TO WORSHIP

The time has arrived! The reign of God is here and now!

**We are watching and waiting for the realm of God.**

The time is now. The kingdom of God is here!

**We are seeking the good news.**

Believe the good news! The dreams of God are alive, right here!

**We are searching for work to do in God's world.**

The moment has come. Let us fish for people!

**God's realm is alive in this world! The long-awaited day is here!**

## \* HYMN

### Will You Come and Follow Me

KELVINGROVE



- 1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call your name?
- 2 "Will you leave your-self be-hind if I but call your name?
- 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call your name?
- 4 "Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?
- 5 Lord, your sum-mons ech - oes true when you but call my name.



Will you go where you don't know and nev - er be the same?  
Will you care for cruel and kind and nev - er be the same?  
Will you set the pris-oners free and nev - er be the same?  
Will you quell the fear in - side and nev - er be the same?  
Let me turn and fol - low you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;  
Will you risk the hos - tile stare should your life at-tract or scare?  
Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as this un - seen,  
Will you use the faith you've found to re-shape the world a - round,  
In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and foot-steps show.



will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?"  
Will you let me an - swer prayer in you and you in me?"  
and ad - mit to what I mean in you and you in me?"  
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?"  
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

## \* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Dave Smazik

**God who calls, in Jesus you come to the lakeshores of our lives.**

**We are busy fishing away, casting our nets and hoping for big hauls,  
great catches of money, respect, and possessions.**

**We resist answering the One who calls our names.**

**Have mercy on us.**

**Open our ears and turn us toward our Lord.**

**Bring us away from our nets full of unfulfilling things.**

**Help us to follow Jesus, and with him, share the good news of abundant life in you.**

## \* SILENT CONFESSION

## \* ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Brothers and Sisters – hear the good news: “The time is fulfilled,  
and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.”

**God is merciful and just,**

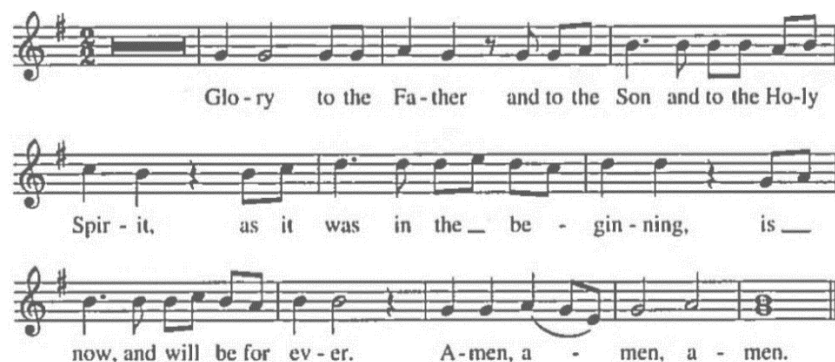
and Jesus Christ promises redemption to all who believe.

**We will turn from our old ways and begin afresh.**

I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

## \* GLORIA

John Weaver  
(born 1937)



## \* SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE *(Worshipers may greet one another with words of Christ's peace.)*

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## ***WE HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED***

### CHILDREN'S TIME

The Dinwiddie Family

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Jonah 3: 1-5, 10

### PSALM 62

arr. Hal Hopson  
(born 1933)

Krista Wright, Cantor



### GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 1: 14-20

### SERMON

Preach

Ruth Chadwick Moore

## ***THE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD***

### **\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

from A Brief Statement of Faith, PC(USA)

The same Spirit  
who inspired the prophets and apostles  
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,  
engages us through the Word proclaimed,  
claims us in the waters of baptism,  
feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,  
and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.  
In a broken and fearful world  
the Spirit gives us courage  
to pray without ceasing,  
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,  
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,  
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,  
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.  
  
In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,  
we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks  
and to live holy and joyful lives,  
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,  
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

### **ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION**

#### **Responsive Litany**

One: As in one body we have many parts and each part has its own function, all of us  
are one body together with Christ, and we all belong to each other.  
**Many: We have different gifts according to the grace God has given us.**  
One: If your gift is to hear God's Word,  
**Many: speak it out in faith.**  
One: If your gift is service,  
**Many: live to serve others.**  
One: If your gift is the heart of a teacher,  
**Many: teach what is true.**  
One: Let preachers preach with conviction, and givers give freely.  
**Many: let officers work diligently for the people, and let those who serve the poor,  
serve gladly.**  
One: Let us not lack for enthusiasm, but be ardent in spirit,  
**Many: serving the Lord, rejoicing in hope, patient in suffering, constant in prayer,  
supporting one another, and welcoming all.**  
One: Today we reclaim our historic calling and remember the great ends of the  
church:  
**Many: The proclamation of the gospel for the salvation of humankind; the shelter,  
nurture, and spiritual fellowship of the children of God; the maintenance of  
divine worship; the preservation of the truth; the promotion of social righteousness; and the  
exhibition of the Kingdom of Heaven to the world.**

#### **Presentation of Deacons and Elders**

#### **Questions to the Officers**

#### **Questions to the Congregation**

Do you, the members of the church, accept these candidates as elders or deacons chosen by God through  
the voice of this congregation to lead in the way of Jesus Christ?

Do you agree to encourage them, to respect their decisions, and to follow as they guide, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is Head of the Church?

## Laying on of Hands

## Charge

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## OFFERING

### WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD

#### \* HYMN

You Walk Along Our Shoreline

WIE LIEBLICH DER MAIEN

## \* BLESSING AND CHARGE

Friends, may the God of second chances renew your sense of call.

**And may we be inspired to go out and share the good news of forgiveness and hope!**

Repent and believe the good news -

**the good news that God is with us and calls us for a purpose!**

POSTLUDE

Improvisation on KELVINGROVE

Marko Petričić



## MUSIC IN WORSHIP

**We sing today's final hymn**, "You Walk along Our Shoreline," as a response to Mark's gospel lesson in which Jesus calls ordinary people to leave behind everything and follow him. The hymn's text was written by Sylvia Dunstan in 1984 after reading an article in which fishing was used as a metaphor for ministry. She drew upon stories from three Gospels to speak of Jesus' invitation to the disciples that they become fishers of a different type. A Canadian, Dunstan (1955 – 1993) enjoyed a varied career, serving as minister of the United Church of Canada, a prison chaplain and editor of the Canadian worship resource journal, *Gathering*. Several of her hymns have been published by various denominations.

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## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**Zoom Coffee Hours**-- In February, the Zoom Coffee hour on the 7th will be at 10 am (hosts Jerry and Sally Gray) and the one on the 21st will be at noon (Host Christie Call).

**Zoom Annual Meeting of the Congregation** – Sunday, January 31, Noon.

**Zoom Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study**--Tuesdays at 11 am. Led by Ruth Chadwick Moore.

**Zoom Sunday Morning Bible Study** – January 31 and February 7, 10:10-10:50am. Stories and THE Story – led by Parish Associate, Carol McDonald

We'll look at several different Bible passages through the midrashic work of award-winning author Rabbi Sandy Eisenberg Sasso. We'll read both the Bible story and the story as told by Rabbi Sasso.

**January 31** – God In Between

**February 7** – Who Is My Neighbor? – the Good Samaritan

**Zoom Northminster Reads** - Sundays, February 21 and March 21, at 5:30 pm

As 2021 begins, we will continue to deepen our awareness of issues confronting those who experience poverty and racial injustice. Whether you have been part of this "book group" from its beginning, or would now like to get involved, join us as we read and discuss and learn. Parish Associate Carol McDonald will be joined by Northminster members in guiding the conversations.

**Sunday, February 21 – 5:30 p.m. Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City by Matthew Desmond.**

Desmond follows 8 families in Milwaukee as they struggle to keep roofs over their heads. This book will transform our understanding of poverty and economic exploitation while providing fresh ideas for confronting one of 21<sup>st</sup> century America's most devastating problems. Its unforgettable scenes of hope and loss remind us of the centrality of home, without which nothing else is possible.

**Sunday, March 21 – 5:30 p.m. Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents by Isabel Wilkerson.** Wilkerson gives us a masterful portrait of an unseen phenomenon in America: how America today and throughout its history has been shaped by a hidden caste system, a rigid hierarchy of human rankings. She explores 8 pillars that underlie caste systems across civilizations, including divine will, bloodlines, and stigma. And she points forward to ways America can move beyond the artificial and destructive separations of human divisions, toward hope in our common humanity.



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